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Serial No. 07/695,682

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ANALYSING POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated August 12, 1992, the period for response having been extended for 1 month by the attached Petition, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Rewrite the title as --APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ANALYZING POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES --.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Rewrite as per the attached separate page.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1, line 1, change "analysing" to -- analyzing--;

Tine 3, before "the" insert --oligonucleotides comprising --;

last line, change "hybridisation" to -hybridization -- .

2. (Amended) Apparatus for studying differences between polynucleotide sequences, comprising a support and attached to a surface thereof an array of oligonucleotides comprising the whole or a chosen part of a complete set of oligonucleotides of chosen lengths [comprising] corresponding to the polynucleotide sequences, the [different] different oligonucleotides occupying separate cells of the array and being capable of taking part in

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